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SCOTT TO HEADLINE DETROIT INSURANCE RALLY

Senator Takes Fight for Fair Rates to Hart Plaza

(LANSING) – State Senator Martha G. Scott will join Craig Trombley of Live 97.1 FM's Insurance Talk Radio show at Detroit's Hart Plaza on Saturday, May 8, from 12 noon to 2 p.m., to protest exorbitant insurance rates.

The free, two-hour rally is expected to attract thousands of participants from the Metro-Detroit area. The public gathering is in response to disastrously high insurance rates that make Detroit the most expensive city in the country in which to insure a vehicle.

"We want insurers and law makers to know that we will no longer stand for redlining, price gouging, or any other type of unfair treatment," Sen. Scott says. "Governor Granholm has taken steps to stop insurers from using credit history to set rates. We want to stop them from using geographic criteria to justify inflated prices."

Sen. Scott has sponsored three bills that address the insurance issue. The Republican-led Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions, where the bills are stalled, has not taken up any of them.

SB 1099 prohibits insurers from refusing, limiting, or charging different rates based on consumers' geographic location and SB 1137 & 1138 require insurers to deal fairly and in good faith with individuals claiming benefits.

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Senator Scott represents the 2nd Senate District, which includes areas of Detroit and the cities of Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park and all of the Grosse Pointes. She serves on the Senate Appropriations Committee.